1. (Currently amended) A method for reporting a value of a key performance indicator comprising:

selecting identifying a key performance indicator to monitor;

identifying at least one business event associated with the <u>selected</u> key performance indicator;

receiving a business event message indicating <u>an</u> the occurrence of the business event, the business event message including business data describing the business event;

determining the value of the key performance indicator based on the business data; and

displaying the determined value of the key performance indicator via a contextual visualization interface.

- 2. **(Original)** A method according to claim 1, wherein the business event message represents a reference event.
- 3. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the business event message represents a change event.
- 4. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the business event message represents a threshold event.
- 5. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the business event message represents a task completion event.
- 6. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the business event message represents a task failure event.
- 7. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the key performance indicator is a prediction, and the step of determining includes applying predictive logic to the business data.

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8. (Cancelled).

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9. (Currently amended) A system for reporting a value of a key performance indicator, comprising:

a workflow manager operative to:

receive a selection of a key performance indicator;

identify a business event affecting the value of the key performance indicator;

receive a business event message indicating an the occurrence of the business

event, the business event message including business data describing the business event;

determine the value of the key performance indicator based on the business data; and

output the determined value of the key performance indicator; and

a contextual visualization in connection with the workflow manager operative to display the value of the key performance indicator.

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10. (Currently amended) An apparatus for reporting a value of a key performance indicator, comprising:

a processor; and

a memory connected to said processor storing a program to control operation of said processor;

the processor cooperative with the program in memory to:

receive a selection of a key performance indicator;

identify a business event affecting the value of the key performance indicator;

receive a business event message indicating an the occurrence of the business

event, the business event message including business data describing the business event;

determine the value of the key performance indicator based on the business data; and

display the determined value of the key performance indicator.